

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to Amendment dated 09/26/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-6,8-13 and 15-20.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
1. ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

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| | 9. <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |

DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

- The primary reasons for allowance for claims 1-5, 8, 10-12 are the inclusion of a data processing apparatus and processing method comprising registration unit for registering, in a relational manner, the feature information of a printing medium acquired from an acquisition unit and the information of the printing medium input via an input unit in accordance with a manual registration instruction. It is these limitations, either alone, or combined as claimed that have not been taught, found, or suggested by prior art.
- The primary reasons for allowance for claims 6, 9, 13 are the inclusion of a data processing apparatus and method comprising a selection unit for selecting a printing medium type and a correction unit for making a correction such that the information associated with the printing medium type corresponding to a feature information of the printing medium acquired by an acquisition unit is replaced by the printing medium type selected by the selection unit in accordance with a manual correction instruction.
- The primary reasons for allowance for claims 15, 17-19 are the inclusion of a computer readable program comprising the step of registering, in a relational manner, the feature information of a print medium acquired in

the acquisition step and a name information associated with the printing medium input in the inputting step, in accordance with a manual registration instruction. It is these limitations, either alone or combined as claimed, that have not been taught, found, or suggested by prior art.

- The primary reasons for allowance for claim 16 are the inclusion of a computer readable program comprising the step of selecting type information of print medium, registering in a relational manner, the feature information of the print medium acquired in the acquisition step and the type information selected in the selecting step, in accordance with manual registration instruction.
- The primary reasons for allowance for claim 20 is the inclusion of a computer readable program comprising the steps of selecting a printing medium type and making a correction such that the information associated with the printing medium type corresponding to the feature information of the printing medium acquired in the acquisition step is replaced with the printing medium type selected in the selection step in accordance with a manual correction instruction. It is these limitations, either alone or combined as claimed, that have not been found, taught, or suggested by prior art.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably


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accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Lamson D. Nguyen whose telephone number is 571-272-2259. The examiner can normally be reached on 8-5.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Dave Talbott can be reached on 571-272-1934. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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